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Please replace the paragraph beginning at line <sup>8</sup> of page 56 as follows:

FIG. 35(a) is a perspective view of a patient's ribcage with an implanted S-ICD system. The S-ICD canister 11 is implanted subcutaneously in the anterior thorax outside the ribcage 1031 of the patient, left of the sternum 920 in the area over the fifth rib 1038 and sixth rib 1036. The S-ICD canister 11, however, may alternately be implanted anywhere over the area between the third rib and the twelfth rib. The lead 21 of the lead electrode assembly 100 is physically connected to the S-ICD canister 11 where the transthoracic cardiac pacing energy or effective ~~cardioversion/defibrillation~~ cardioversion/defibrillation shock energy (effective energy) is generated. The term "effective energy" as used in this specification can encompass various terms such as field strength, current density and voltage gradient.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at line 1 of page 75 as follows:

FIG. 46(a) illustrates a subcutaneous implantable cardioverter-defibrillator kit 1201 of the present invention. The kit comprises a group of items that may be used in implanting an S-ICD system in a patient. The kit 1201 comprises a group of one or more of the following items: an S-ICD canister 11, a lead electrode assembly 100, a hemostat 1205, a lead electrode assembly manipulation tool 927, a medical adhesive 1210, an anesthetic 1215, a tube of mineral oil 1220 and a tray 1200 for storing these items. In one embodiment, the S-ICD canister 11 is the S-ICD canister 11 seen in, and discussed with reference to FIG. 1.